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SUBJECT: SAUDI OFFICIALS TO VISIT USA FOR MAJOR PROJECT

1. THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF PROTOCOL, MOHAMED S.H. AL SOLEIMAN, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, HAS ADVISED THE EMBASSY THAT THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF HOUSING, SHEIKH SAUD LINGAWI WILL VISIT THE UNITED STATES ON OR ABOUT APRIL 22, 1976.

2. THE DEPUTY MINISTER IS SEEKING THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF US COMPANIES THAT CAN CONSTRUCT PRECAST CONCRETE BUILDINGS FROM 10 TO 20 STORIES HIGH IN SAUDI ARABIA. HE ALSO WISHES THE NAMES OF CONSULTING ENGINEERS AND ARCHITECTS SPECIALIZED IN PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTING COMPLETE MILITARY CITIES ENCOMPASSING ROADS, ELECTRIC POWER PLANT, WATER SUPPLY FROM WELLS, SEWAGE, SCHOOLS, ETC.

3. THE ABOVE PROJECTS, WHILE NOT SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIED, ARE ESTIMATED TO BE IN THE HUNDREDS OF MILLION DOLLAR CATEGORY. DEPUTY MINISTER LINGAWI DOES NOT WANT ANY PUBLICATION OF HIS INTEREST. HE STATED THAT INTERESTED FIRMS CONTACTED BY COMMERCE COULD REACH HIM THROUGH THE SAUDI ARABIAN EMBASSY AT WASHINGTON DURING APRIL 22-29, 1976. HE WILL APPRECIATE ANY CORRESPONDENCE FROM SUCH FIRMS DIRECTED THERE C/O THE COMMERCE DEPARTMENT.

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CIAL ATTACHE, IBRAHIM KHOJA, PRIOR TO HIS VISIT. HE

WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE IT IF COMMERCE COULD PROVIDE A LIST OF SUCH FIRMS WHICH HE WILL CONTACT DURING HIS STAY IN THE UNITED STATES.

4. THE EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE A COPY OF ANY LIST OF US FIRMS SHOWING INTEREST IN THE PROJECTS PROVIDED TO LINGAWI BY COMMERCE. PLEASE NOTIFY BRUCE ROBERTS OF THE AMERICAN CONSULTING ENGINEERS COUNCIL, 1155-15TH ST., N.W. WASHINGTON, D.C.

5. BECAUSE OF LINGAWI'S DEPARTURE ON APRIL 8 FOR A EUROPEAN SOJOURN PRIOR TO HIS US VISIT THE EMBASSY WAS NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE HIM A LIST OF US FIRMS.
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